STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ERIE

September 27, 2014

I HEREBY CERTIFY that at the next regular session of the Erie County Legislature in 2014, to be held in County Hall in the City of Buffalo, the following is a true and accurate copy of a proclamation that will be adopted:

WHEREAS, On Sunday, September 21, 2014, suddenly and without warning, The Lord God Almighty, in his omnipotent wisdom, called Gary Damone Hooser, home to be by his side, and

WHEREAS, Gary Hooser was born on June 9, 1993 in Buffalo, New York on June 9, 1993; he was educated in the Buffalo Public and Charter School System and made construction his career of choice; he trained and worked in this field and was especially proud of his work experience in the Lafayette Hotel because of its association with Louise Blanchard Bethune, the first professional women architect in the United States of America, and

WHEREAS, Gary Hooser was a God fearing man who loved life and his family deeply; he was an avid sports fan who enjoyed tennis, soccer and baseball; as a youth, Gary played football in the Pop Warner Little League, and

WHEREAS, Gary Hooser was a God fearing young man who began his Christian Education at True Bethel Baptist Church and Our Savior Lutheran Church; he was an eternal optimist who was excited about life and met no strangers; Gary was a very forgiving person who loved his family; he leaves to bear witness to his living, a loving and devoted mother, Carmen Hooser, a proud father, Winnie McCutcheon III, a compassionate step-father, Joe Arrington, a dedicated grandmother, Leta Hooser and two beautiful children, Ameer Jackson and Aniah Hooser.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does herein extend its deepest sympathies to the Hooser family on their loss and does wish them well as they continue their lives eternally touched by Gary's love and enthusiasm for each of them and be it further

RESOLVED, that given the aforementioned, this Honorable Body finds it only fitting and proper to pause in their deliberations at the next scheduled session of the Erie County Legislature to host a moment of silence in honor of the life of Gary Damone Hooser.

Betty Jean Grant
Minority Leader of the Erie County Legislature
2nd District Legislator